

June 8, 2023

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Robert Mujica Executive Director Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico

Dear Mr. Mujica:

In reference to the requirements on the 2023 Fiscal Plan for Puerto Rico, published April 3, 2023 (the "Fiscal Plan"), this letter serves as the formal notice to the Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico ("Oversight Board") that the University of Puerto Rico Comprehensive Cancer Center (CCCUPR) has fulfilled the second (2nd) milestone required Implementation Actions as described in—chapter 14.2 page 124-125 of the Fiscal Plan.

Attached to this notice as Exhibit A is the supporting information related to the successful completion of the following Action Items:

The 2022 Certified Fiscal Plan also provided for \$10 million in incremental funding for seven years starting in FY2023 to support cancer research initiatives that will allow the Comprehensive Cancer Center of Puerto Rico to obtain the formal federal designation of Cancer Center, which will in return provide access to additional federal funds. This funding is contingent upon the Cancer Center completing certain milestones:

- 1. During FY2022, the Cancer Center developed and implemented an integrated campaign through advertising, digital media, and public relations to promote prevention, early detection, and specialized treatment health services programs offered at the Hospital and received an additional \$10 million incentive during FY2023.- **COMPLETED on FY 2022.**
- 2. To receive the incentive of \$10 million in FY2024, the Cancer Center must implement the second phase of the Electronic Health Records—implementation, which involves integrating the financial module. GO LIVE July 2022 **COMPLETED May 2023.**
- 3. The Cancer Center must participate in the 340B Drug Pricing Program by obtaining Certifications to purchase prescription drugs at lower cost **by June 30, 2024**. CERTIFICATIONS REQUESTED ON APRIL 2023 **APPROVED** BY THE HEALTH RESOURCE AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)

## **ON JUNE 2023 - TO BE IMPLEMENTED ON JUNE 2024** (subject to the budget assignment of \$2M).

The CCCUPR now considers these Implementation Actions satisfied and, unless otherwise notified by the Oversight Board, will mark the Action Items as completed in the Implementation Plan Reporting Package. If the Oversight Board has any concerns about confirming the achieved status of these Implementation Actions, CCCUPR representatives are ready to discuss and further document that fulfillment.

We look forward to continuing to work with the Oversight Board to benefit Puerto Rico's people.

Sincerely,

On behalf of:

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University of Puerto Rico Comprehensive Cancer Center

**Executive Director** 

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